

#### ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

To provide a printing system and method in which verification of a printed sample prepared by DTP printing, and delivery of a completed printed matter, can be performed simply and in a short period of time. The printing system includes: a computer for preparing printing information, and a gateway server connected to the computer, which are provided to a printed matter preparer; and a printing apparatus having an allocated IP address, which is provided to a printed matter customer. The gateway server of the printed matter preparer is connected to the printing apparatus of the printed matter customer via an internet. When the computer of the printed matter preparer designates the IP address allocated to the printed matter customer and issues a command for outputting the printing information, the gateway server, in place of the computer, issues a command for outputting the printing information via the internet to the printing apparatus of the printed matter customer, which has the allocated IP address.

FIG. 1

- 2        COMPUTER
- 5        PRINTING APPRATUS
- 6        INTERNET
- 7        MEMORY STORING MEANS
- 8        CONTROL MEANS

FIG. 4

- 11       COMPUTER